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Fiscal Note

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Prime Sponsors:	Rep. Titone Sen. Rodriguez	Bill Status:	House Business
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Bill Topic: CONSUMER DIGITAL REPAIR BILL OF RIGHTS

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

<input type="checkbox"/> State Revenue	<input type="checkbox"/> TABOR Refund
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Expenditure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local Government
<input type="checkbox"/> State Transfer	<input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Public Entity

This bill requires manufacturers of digital electronic equipment to make documentation, parts, embedded software, firmware, or tools to service the equipment available to any independent repair provider or owner. It will increase state and local workload on an ongoing basis.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status: The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.

Summary of Legislation

This bill requires manufacturers of digital electronic equipment to make documentation, parts, embedded software, firmware, or tools to service the equipment available to any independent repair provider or owner. The bill exempts motor vehicle manufacturers or dealers, powersports vehicle manufacturers or dealers, and medical devices, except class 2 powered wheel chairs. A violation of this requirement is an unfair or deceptive trade practice.

State Expenditures

This bill may increase civil actions filed in trial courts in the Judicial Department, but the increase is not expected to require an increase in appropriations. The Department of Law will handle unfair or deceptive trade practice complaints it receives as a result of this bill within its current resources.

Local Government

This bill may minimally increase workload for district attorneys acting on a deceptive trade practice complaint. Such actions are infrequent and are not expected to increase significantly under the bill.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect 90 days following adjournment of the General Assembly sine die, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

State and Local Government Contacts

District Attorneys
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Information Technology
Law